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S. 534

To establish a Federal interagency task force for the purpose of coordinating actions to prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (commonly known as “mad cow disease”) and foot-and-mouth disease in the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 14, 2001

Mr. CAMPBELL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Mad Cow Prevention
5 Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a Federal
3 interagency task force, to be chaired by the Secretary of
4 Agriculture, for the purpose of coordinating actions to pre-
5 vent the outbreak of bovine spongiform encephalopathy
6 (commonly known as “mad cow disease”), foot-and mouth
7 disease and related diseases in the United States.

8 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—The membership of the task
9 force shall be composed of—

10 (1) the Secretary of Agriculture;

11 (2) the Secretary of Commerce;

12 (3) the Secretary of Health and Human Serv-
13 ices;

14 (4) the Secretary of the Treasury;

15 (5) the Commissioner of Food and Drug;

16 (6) the Director of the National Institutes of
17 Health;

18 (7) the Director of the Centers for Disease
19 Control and Prevention;

20 (8) the Commissioner of Customs; and

21 (9) the heads of such other Federal depart-
22 ments and agencies as the President considers ap-
23 propriate.

24 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the date
25 of enactment of this Act, the task force shall submit to
26 Congress a report that—

1 (1) describes actions that are being taken, and
2 will be taken, to prevent the outbreak of bovine
3 spongiform encephalopathy, foot-and-mouth disease
4 and related diseases in the United States; and

5 (2) contains any recommendations for legisla-
6 tive and regulatory actions that should be taken to
7 prevent the outbreak of bovine spongiform
8 encephalopathy, foot-and-mouth disease and related
9 diseases in the United States.

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